Dear Town of Walkerville Residents,

Setting the record straight – Smith Street / Fuller Street site

On 23 October 2019, I had cause to issue an Open Letter to Residents in response to a flyer titled: ‘Walkerville Council plans to subdivide the Memorial Gardens’. A flyer I might add that was full of false and misleading information and accusations.

I find myself once again needing to set the record straight in relation to false, misleading and unsubstantiated statements being made by INEA YMCA to the media and on their website.

The Facts:

- Council has made no decisions in relation to the site currently leased by INEA YMCA;

- The building tenanted by INEA YMCA currently has community land status and Council recently consulted with its community (residents and ratepayers) to revoke this status to Operational status. This will bring it in line to the rest of the site and remove the current restrictions on lease tenure (up to 42 years);

- The Community Zone (Development Plan) will be retained;

- As of 1 July 2020, the new Design Code will have Community Zone renamed to Community Facility Zone – this site will continue to be protected under those zoning provisions;

- Council will NOT be selling the site;
• Council has NOT made any deals with any developers to develop the site;

• Council is interested in attracting a better return (rent) from the site to minimize the rate burden on residents;

• In September 2016, INEA YMCA was formally notified of Council's intention to progress investigation of ‘future opportunities’ for the Smith Street site;

• In June 2017, Council resolved to grant INEA YMCA a short term lease extension to 31 December 2020;

• In August 2018, INEA YMCA willingly signed the lease having full knowledge that there are no right of lease renewal provisions and having sought their own legal advice at the time;

• The current Board of Management of INEA YMCA were reminded in writing on 24 October 2019 that their lease will be expiring on 31 December 2020;

• Our CEO wrote to the President of INEA YMCA advising that we would be happy to meet with them, as it relates to the proposed revocation of the community land status on the proviso that they removed all defamatory comments about me and the Elected Members from their website – they refuse to do this;

• For the period 1 January – 31 December 2019, INEA YMCA paid Council $12,429.78 pa in rent for the use of the building. Council's outgoing expenses for the same period is $15,000.

• For the period 1 January – 31 December 2020, INEA YMCA will pay Council $12,740.52 pa in rent for the use of the building. Council's outgoing expenses for the same period have yet to be determined but are likely to be in the order of $15,000 - $20,000

I must reinforce that we have no intention to sell or sub-divide this site. It will remain protected under the Community Zone (Development Plan).

I will not condone bullying, intimidation or threats against me, Elected Members or staff. There has been a lot of misinformation perpetrated in the media recently about our alleged intentions. At no stage did anyone from 5AA contact me to get the facts.

I felt compelled to write to you and explain the truth in relation to this matter. Council wants to ensure that all of its assets are available to its community and that we are getting the best return on our assets.

The building has neared its useful life – it will cost Council in the region of $500,000 to bring it up to building compliance regulations. If Council were to commit these funds for building works, it will be passed onto our rate payers.
I have had a number of conversations with members of the community, who have told me that they will not support their rates being increased in order to allow INEA YMCA, a business to benefit at their expense.

I remain committed to delivering the best services, activities and functions to our ratepayers and community.

Yours sincerely

Elizabeth Fricker
Mayor

Community survey: Walkerville Oval redevelopment

The Town of Walkerville recognises the importance of the Walkerville Oval as a major community asset and has committed $3m in its long term financial plan to enhance the central facilities.

Consultation has been extended to Monday 6 January 2020.

Council is now embarking on a journey to redesign the central buildings and clubrooms to ensure facilities meet users and the wider community’s current and future needs whilst protecting and enhancing the social, cultural and historical integrity of the site.

Please take the survey and provide your thoughts and comments.
Newly released Summer Cultivate 5081

CULTIVATE 5081

Bee wax wrap workshop

Get busy with KESAB’s bee wax wrap workshop and learn to make your own plastic-free alternative to cling wrap. Take home reusable, practical and eco-friendly...

Included in the workshop is a DIY manual so you can make and learn how to use it at home – and show your friends! 5.30pm - 6.30pm Monday 13 January 2020 Walkerville Town Hall $5 per participant

Children’s morning matinee: Frozen

Following the much anticipated release of Frozen 2 in Australia, Council will present a screening which takes us back to where the magic of Frozen first began. Rejoin the appeal of this animated classic which tells the story of a fearless princess who embarks on an epic journey to save her kingdom. Presented as part of Council’s School holiday programs. 10.30am - 12.15pm Tuesday 14 January 2020 Walkerville Town Hall

Digital Springboard: How to write your cover letter

This FREE course shows you how to write a great cover letter – but with a digital edge. Get best practice tips for writing a cover letter when you’re applying for a job and learn about some of the digital tools that will help you stand out from the crowd.

What it covers:
• What a cover letter is for and how to write one.
• How to succinctly summarise your skills and strengths in an attention-grabbing way.
• What recruiters want to read in a cover letter.
• The digital landscape that defines current recruitment practices.
• Online tools you can use to manage your digital footprint.

What to bring:
• Your laptop or tablet, or a UGA (or you can borrow one of ours).
• Your existing CV or a cover letter if you have one or a list of your work history.

For 12 years and adults 10am - 12pm Friday 17 January 2020 Room 10, Civic and Community Centre Online bookings: howto-write-your-cover-letter.eventbrite.com.au or tel 8342 7300 in business hours

Summer Reading Challenge

Our Summer Reading Challenge for children and young people continues through to January 2020. This year’s theme – Reading: A window to the world – celebrates the International Year of Indigenous Language with a focus on the use of oral language story telling. Every person has a tale to tell and the language used to express that story is a vital component in the story telling. Reading Challenge starter packs are available from the library. Fill in a reading log with every book read or heard (audio/CD) or read to. There are record prizes for children every time they return their completed reading log. Every completed reading log gets into the draw to win a $50 voucher from Samuels Adelaide (one voucher for children up to 5 years and one voucher for children 5 years and up). Find out more about this national literacy initiative at summerreading.org.au

It’s slime time!

Make your very own slime in our masterclasses! Change your own colour and even add a touch of glitter or a creepy-crawly bag or two! Presented as part of Council’s School holiday program. 10.30am - 11.15am Wednesday 22 January Walkerville Town Hall $2 per child 6+ Free for supervising adults

Books and Bugs Yoga classes help mums to release tension, strengthen their body, improve posture and restore energy through yoga and mindfulness. For babies, these classes offer movement to aid in strength and development using touch, themes and songs. The classes help mum and baby bond through communication, massage, connection and play. While the class is primarily aimed at new mums, all parents or carers are welcome. Presented as part of Council’s School holiday program.

Council’s school holiday program. Mums must have the all clear from their doctor. Facilitated by Blooming Heart’s Yoga & Mindfulness’ teaching heart.

Dabbles 6 weeks, postpartum to crawling 10am - 11am Monday 20 January 2020 Walkerville Town Hall

FREE Bookings essential: mums@bubys.com.au or tel 8342 7300 in business hours

Mums & bubs yoga

LEGO animation workshop

BoBoR’s LEGO animation workshop teaches children how to create their own “brick films”. They will gather behind the scenes glimpse of what goes into producing a professional animation, and learn how to bring LEGO to life using the Stop Motion Studio App available on mobile devices. Videos will be created by the group and uploaded to YouTube via the BoBoR Animation Workshop Channel. LEGO is provided or bring your favourite set to work with. Presented as part of Council’s School holiday program.

1pm - 4pm Thursday 23 January 2020 Room 18B $25 per participant

Online bookings: booknow.com/723A or tel 8342 7300 in business hours

LEGO animation workshop

Sand art workshop

Sand art is a fun activity for children to express their creative talents and take home a mini-work of art! While participants immerse themselves in this colourful and creative process, they’ll also be enhancing motor skills, improving hand-eye coordination and sharing the joy of creating something memorable. Presented as part of Council’s School holiday program.

Session one: 10.30am to 11am Sessions two: 11am to 11.30am

Thursday 30 January 2020 Walkerville Town Hall

For ages 3+ $2 per child participant Free for supervising adults Online bookings: sand-art-workshop.eventbrite.com.au or tel 8342 7300 during business hours

Games and puzzles

Come into the foyer of the Civic and Community Centre and discover a range of board games and puzzles.

A fun, interactive way to play – in a conditioned comfort!

6 - 10 January 2020

“This week...” section

Mums & Bubs Yoga is a facilitated program that encourages mums to engage in the practice of yoga, positive thinking and mindfulness with their new babies. The program includes movement, breathing, relaxation and meditation that are accessible and beneficial for both the mum and baby. Mums and babies lose tension, increase flexibility and practice mindfulness while connecting through movements, and developing their baby’s senses. The classes are free and suitable for new mums and babies of all abilities and backgrounds.
Digital Springboard: How to build your CV

This FREE course is for people who want to build their CV from scratch or just want to refresh their existing one. It covers the key components and shows how you can use digital tools to provide an edge when building your CV.

What it covers:
- what a CV is and how to write one
- online tools that can help build and strengthen your CV
- how to think creatively about your skills and experience and showcase them in your CV
- what a digital footprint is and how it relates to job searching.

Learner prerequisites:
- low to medium understanding of how to use a computer and social media
- some experience using Microsoft Word.

What to bring:
- your laptop or tablet, or a USB (or you can borrow one of ours).
- your existing CV, a cover letter if you have one, or a list of your work history.

For 13 years and adults
10am – 12pm
Friday 24 January 2020
1855 Room
Online bookings:
how-to-build-your-cv.eventbrite.com.au or tel 8342 7100 in business hours

Meditation and Yoga

The age old practice of yoga and meditation enables us to calm the mind, relax the body, and journey away from stress and tension which improves both physical and mental wellbeing. Classes are for adults and conducted by practitioners from the Australian School of Meditation and Yoga.

Presented as part of Council’s wellbeing program.

Class times:
Tuesday 28 January 2020
Tuesdays 6pm – 7pm
Class 3.5
Bookings & pre-payment essential:
meditation@eventbrite.com.au or tel 8342 7100 in business hours.

Osteoarthritis pain presentation

This presentation focuses on causes of osteoarthritis and how to manage it and minimise the impact in your daily life. Presented as part of Council’s wellbeing program.

Taking the first steps to move into a smaller home can be overwhelming. The Rightsize approach offers practical, less stressful and action-based solutions.

- Start identifying your areas of biggest concern.
- Learn positive techniques to make your transition less stressful.
- How to make a plan that will work for you and your timeframe.
- Follow a proven set of strategies that will lead to success.

Rightsize strategies for downsizing

Get practical tips and skills from Amelia Bannister, author of Rightsize your life the balanced approach to living better with your belongings. Amelia will show you how to simplify your life as you step into your future. Presented as part of Council’s wellbeing program.

Adults: 6.30pm – 8pm
Monday 20 January 2020
Walkerville Town Hall
$5 per participant

Online bookings:
downsizing-workshop.eventbrite.com.au or tel 8342 7100 during business hours.

Worm farm workshop

This workshop is run by organic and sustainable gardener Alan Shepherd and will provide a theoretical and practical understanding of composting and worm farm systems.

Compost worms are efficient at recycling food scraps and the resultant castings and worm juice will add nutrients to the soil. At this workshop you will learn how to set up various systems: what to feed and what not to feed the worms; how to use these castings and juice and most importantly how to keep compact worms alive in hot weather. Each participant will receive information on where all items can be purchased to make their own worm farm. Facilitated by KESAB, presented as part of Council’s wellbeing program.

Adults: 2.30pm – 4.30pm
Friday 31 January 2020
Walkerville Town Hall
$5 per participant

Online bookings:
worm-farm-workshop.eventbrite.com.au or tel 8342 7100 in business hours.

Senior self-defence with Adelaide Wing Chun

Learn the basics of self-defence with Adelaide Wing Chun in this 3 week course. Classes go for an hour and wearing loose comfortable clothing is recommended.

Suitable for all levels of fitness. Presented as part of Council’s wellbeing program.

Seniors: FREE
10am – 11am Fridays
7, 14 and 21 February
Walkerville Town Hall
Online bookings: senior-self-defence.eventbrite.com.au or tel 8342 7100 in business hours.

Digital Springboard: spreadsheets for beginners

This FREE course is for people who want to learn how to create a spreadsheet.

Well suited for some of the more common spreadsheet tasks like formatting, using templates and downloading and sharing your spreadsheet with others.

What it covers:
- what spreadsheets are and how they’re used
- ways that spreadsheets can be efficient
- have a go at creating, editing and sharing spreadsheets

Learner prerequisites:
- medium understanding of how to use a computer
- some familiarity with the internet.

What to bring:
- your laptop or tablet, or a USB (or you can borrow one of ours).

For 33 years and adults
10am – 3pm
Friday 28 February 2020
Room 1855
Online bookings: learn-spreadsheets.eventbrite.com.au or tel 8342 7100 during business hours.

Our early development programs will be on hiatus during the summer school holidays. Returning in early 2023.

Baby Bounce: 10am Monday 3 February 2020 – Wednesday 25 January 2020
Tiddlers: 10:30am Wednesday 29 January 2020 – Stacey: 10:30am Friday 31 January 2020
LEGO Club returns Monday 24 February.
No junk mail stickers
Available FREE from Town of Walkerville

Avoid the avalanche of advertising mail in the lead up to Christmas by placing a 'No Junk Mail' sticker on your letterbox.

Available FREE from Town of Walkerville or East Waste. Come in and pick one up or order online here: https://www.eastwaste.com.au/sticker-request-form/

If you prefer to still receive advertising mail, please ensure that you place it in your yellow #recycle bin when you have finished reading it. Yes, even the glossy paper! Or even better #reuse it for wrapping presents!
Beeswax Wrap Workshop
Monday 13 January 2020 5.30pm – 6.30pm, Walkerville Town Hall
KESAB’s beeswax wrap workshop is a great opportunity for you to make your own personalised plastic-free alternative to cling wrap, reduce waste and create something beautiful, practical and eco-friendly! Each participant will take home their own personalised wrap, plus care instructions and a DIY manual so you can make your own!

$5.00 per participant, bookings essential, CLICK HERE to book.

Children's Morning Movie: Frozen
Tuesday 14 January 2020 10.30am – 12.30pm, Walkerville Town Hall
Children are invited to watch the favorite Disney animated movie Frozen, before they experience the much anticipated Frozen 2. When the newly-crowned Queen Elsa accidentally uses her power to turn things into ice to curse her home in infinite winter, her sister Anna teams up with a mountain man, his playful reindeer, and a snowman to change the weather condition.
$2.00 per child, must be accompanied by an adult (no cost or booking required for accompanying adults). Bookings essential, CLICK HERE to book.

Children’s Sand Art Workshop
Thursday 16 January 2020 10.30am and 11am, Walkerville Town Hall
Sand Art is a fun, entertaining and creative activity that kids of all ages love. While your children are having loads of Sand Art fun, they will also practice their all-important motor skills, boost their ability to visualize, develop their creativity, improve their hand-eye coordination and learn how to use different colours creatively.

$2.00 per child, must be accompanied by an adult (no cost or booking required for accompanying adults). Bookings essential, CLICK HERE to book.

7NEWS Young Achiever Awards South Australia
The 7NEWS Young Achiever Awards South Australia aim to acknowledge, encourage and most importantly promote the positive achievements of all young people up to and including 29 years of age. Entry is free, and we would love you to nominate! You can enter an individual, group, business or organisation into one or more of the 12 categories below.

The Better Living Better Health Draft Regional Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2020 – 2025 is the regional public health and wellbeing plan for the Eastern Health Authority (EHA) constituent Councils of Burnside, Campbelltown, Prospect, Norwood Payneham & St Peters, and Walkerville.

The [draft plan (plus an online survey)] is now online and open for consultation until the 13 December 2019.
Capital Works Update

The Multi-Purpose Shed at Walkerville Oval

The existing shed and compound demolition will occur commencing Monday 16 December 2019. Works notices have been delivered to surrounding houses and businesses. The Kindy is closed for the year.

The contractor, MYKRA Pty Ltd has indicated the new multi-purpose shed will be complete by the end of January 2020, weather permitting.

Concrete Kerb Works associated with Road Reseal Program

Concrete repair work to kerbing in preparation for the road reseal program have now been completed.

Reseal works are scheduled to occur in January and February 2020.

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Reference: BOOK

100% of funds received will be used to purchase books from local independent retailers to support those impacted by the current fires.
Expressions of interest – Wesleyan Cemetery Advisory Committee

Walkerville Council is calling for Expressions of Interest from people who are interested in filling a current vacant position as independent committee member of the Wesleyan Cemetery Advisory Committee.

Members of the Wesleyan Cemetery Advisory Committee are expected to provide expert advice pertaining to the management and development of the Wesleyan Cemetery, and in an advisory capacity assist with initiatives that are aligned with Council’s strategic objectives for the Cemetery.

This is a volunteer (unpaid) position and preference will be given to individuals who reside, work or do business in the Town of Walkerville.

Prospective applicants are advised to familiarize themselves with the current Terms of Reference which are available from the website.

If you are interested, we would like to hear from you. Please either:
Email walkerville@walkerville.sa.gov.au with the subject heading ‘Wesleyan Cemetery Advisory Committee, or
Write to us c/-
Chief Executive Officer, Town of Walkerville, PO Box 55 WALKERVILLE 5081, providing a summary of your experience and the reasons for your interest in the position.

Expressions of interest close 5pm, Friday 20 December 2019.

December Council Meeting

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held at 7.00pm on Monday 16 December 2019.

Members of the public are most welcome to attend.

Some of the matters that will be considered by Council at this meeting include:

- Hamilton Reserve upgrade
- General On-street parking Policy (new)
- Residential Permit Parking Policy (revised)
- Urban Forest Management Policy (new)